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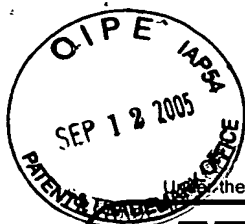
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Total Claims		Extra Claims		Fee from below	Fee Paid
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RONALD W. FECHTER, ET AL. )  
Application Number: 10/665,789 )  
Filed: September 18, 2003 )  
Title: ATTACHMENT DEVICE FOR A LOAD )  
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Peoria, Illinois 61629-6490

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The following information and attached material are submitted for the Examiner's consideration relative to one or more of the claims in the above-identified application. A PTO 1449 (SB08) form and a copy, if required, of each item listed thereon are attached.

The Invention Disclosure Statement is filed pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.97(c). Two copies of the fee transmittal sheet are enclosed.

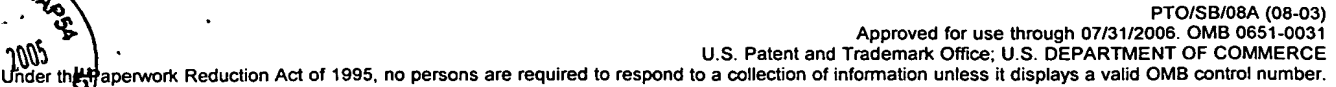
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